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Julius Meili
Alpenquai 36
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6th November 1904.

Mr. Howland Wood
92 Pearl St. Boston Mass. U.S.A.

Dear Sir,

I am in receipt of your favor of the 15th Sept. by which I delayed to answer, as I wished to firstly hear the opinion of my friend Manoel Joaquim de Campos, author of Numismatica Indo-Portugueza, in Lisbon. I therefor give you herewith the opinion of both of us, regretting that I am not able to transmit you more useful informations.

0/8 [illegible] we consider this to be a private mark on a coin which certainly does not belong to Portuguese India.

20 Reis over 1/8 of Diu with the key of a Singore Coin. — As the obverse looks like that of the genuine 20 Reis over we have absolutely no idea how this obverse came together with such a Reverse. — As you say the piece may be Japanese.

I am not acquainted with the Journal of the Straits Branch of the Royal Asiatic Society, but Mr. Campos has got the number for June 1903 and he says that your Flower design (Tin) represents

a private token of Malacca (Nr 4, plate 1 of said Journal Nr 39) and your two other designs represent varieties thereof.

Inclosed I submit you rubbings of some Indian private tokens (as I consider them to be) in my collection.

I suppose, you are acquainted with the article, Coins and tokens of Ceylon by Lieut.-Col. B. Lowsley' published in Vol. XV Journal of the Numismatic Society of London, 1895, page 211.

Ja, I intend to publish some day a catalogue of my Portuguese Coins, including Portuguese India, but for some time to come I am still occupied with my publications on Brazilian Coins & Medals.

Meantime I am dear Sir

yours very truly

J. d'Almeida

Private Marks on Siamese Tokens in Colonel (Retd.) Collection

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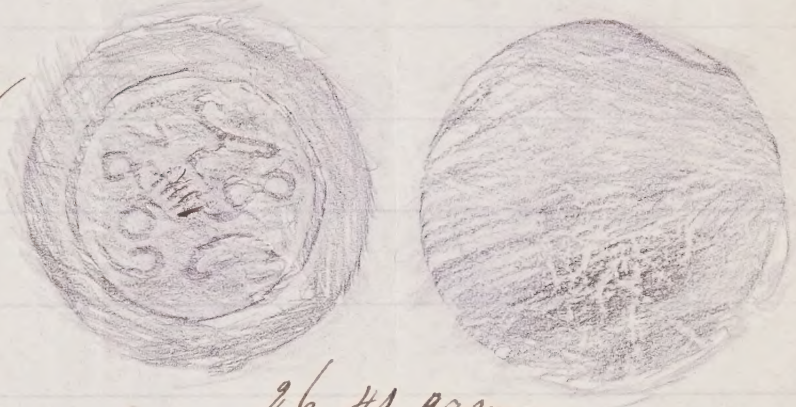
Zürich

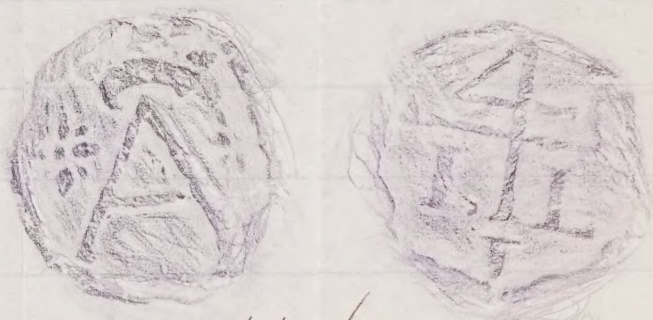
Same
with Chinese c/s
on obverse and reverse

29.93 grammes

with Chinese c/s

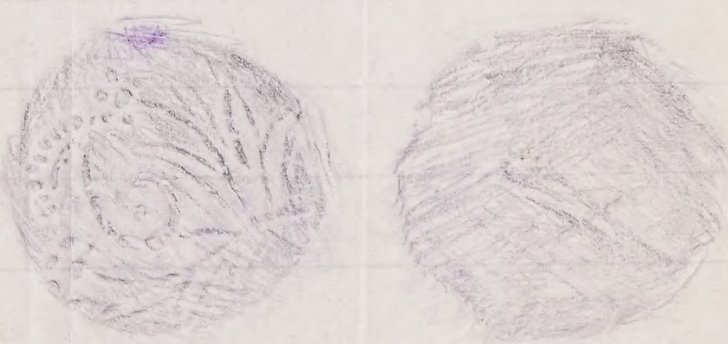


26.41 gramms



45.62 gramms

I have got similar
ones with the number
6 and also with 4
both bearing an 8 ⁘



78.25 gramms

plein
revers

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10 ½ Dec. 1905.

Mr. Howland Wood
93 Perry Street Brookline mass.

Dear Sir,

I beg to excuse me for having delayed so long to answer your favor of the 11 ½ December. The principle reason is that I find myself unable to answer your questions.

I do not know what head it is that appears on my # 50, page 272. Mr. W. T. Davies, in quoting my same number in his Nineteenth Century Token Coinage, # 9, page 12, says „with bust of Washington(?)" It may be, that it is, as you say, a private countermark, but how to explain the dagger at the side?

I have not yet met with the 4/8 or Brazilian coins. Hispanic or Spanish-American Silver Coins all sort of countermarked. Ephes are not rarely to be found and I know that they are generally attributed to the West Indies. But still these countermarks want better explanations.

You are quite right, part of the Brazilian countermarks

40, 20, 10 were done by 2 dies, principally those applied on the Interior. This operation took place in 1836/1837. I send you proofs of 3 plates forming part of the Coins of independent Brazil 1822–1900 which I am just now preparing. Those representations form only a part of the numerous varieties of said Coins.

I am sorry I can not inform you about the money used at Macao.

Yours very Truly

Emil Meili

C. D. Beuchman & Bro
Dealers in dry goods and groceries
Lisbon, Ind.
Boots & Shoes made to order 1864

1863.
Comely's New York Store
Brazil, Ind.

Jul. Meili
Zürich

Julius Meili
Alpenquai 36
Zürich.

Zurich 22.d August 1905.

Mr. Howland Wood
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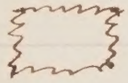
Dear Sir,

I had the pleasure to receive your kind letter of 6.th June and I thank you very much for the 20 Reis piece countersteamped 8, which you had the goodness to offer me. Some day we may, I hope, come to know the true meaning of this countersteamp.

In Brazil also we meet with a great number of private c/s, or copper coins, enclosed in a border similar to this: 

Your experience about the c/s 10, 20 + 40 may be about exact, although these c/s vary naturally from place to place.

The 20 Bagaruco pieces in my collection, dates 1799 to 1800, of Diu (Campo 291) weigh from 12.80 to 12.50 grammes.

I cannot make out what mean the, checks of whose

rubbings you kindly submitted me. „Bella Sla" and „San Antonio"
are not portuguese, should be „Bella Slba" and „Ro Antonio",
nor do I know a place in Brazil called „Pamaxáin". There
Chechs remember me of some in copper I once bought in an
auction, of which inclosed rubbings: I do not know what means
„Lisbon, Ind.", nor „Brazil, Ind." Can you explain it?

I remain very truly

yours

Jul. Meili

To Mr. Rowland Wood

Jul. Meili

has much pleasure To

Alpenquai 36 II

present his compliments and thanks
for the interesting pamphlet
he forwarded to him
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[illegible]

Julius Meili
Hyanquai 36
Zürich.

Zurich 6th September 1905.

Mr. Howland Wood
53 Perry Street
Brooklin
New.

Dear Sir,

Confirming my last letter of the 22. August curr. we
have received of your favor of the 21. same month.

I have not been before the Gm CV 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31 32 33 34 35 36 37 38 39 40

The mint of ⟨Q R⟩ appears on coins of all nations.

The ⟨stamp⟩ ⟨P M⟩, large and also small letters, and ⟨P M⟩ means Provinces de Mocambique appear on English and German Rupees and ½ Rupees and the latter also a Maria Theresia Thaler, Spanish Peso, Rupees and, as you say on english ⟨Elephant⟩ Rupees. I have not been able to get a copy of the respective decree, nor do I know which of the two stamps has been used first, the crowned or the uncrowned – probably the former.

There exists a similar ⟨stamp⟩ ⟨L M⟩, of which I send you rubbing. I have got it on a Maria Theresia Thaler and consider it to be rather scarce. It means Lourenço Marques, but of this also I could not get a copy of the decree.

I am, dear Sir

yours very truly

Carl Meinke

Just received this morning
your letter and
Thanks for

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Zurich 30th April 1906.

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Brookline
Mass. U.S.A.

Dear Sir,

I have still to thank you for the information you kindly gave me in your letter of 15th September a.p. and I beg to excuse me for not having done so before. You enclosed a letter of the makers of the checks in question, established in San Francisco, which place has just now gained sad notoriety.

You ask if there was ever a (CP), or C P for the Queen without the Crown and to this I have to answer that to my knowledge said Counterstamp only exists with the Crown, whilst the PM (Provincial Museum) exists with and also without crown.

In your letter of the 16th inst. you gave me to understand that you take an interest in the Brazilianische Gelbwarzen Teil and I have therefor much pleasure in offering you a copy of it, which I send by parcel post.

Remain, Dear Sir;

Yours very truly

Wm. Meik

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